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Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Mr. Jagdish Koonjul (Mauritius), on the basis of informal consultations

Long-term programme of support for Haiti

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1999/4 of 7 May 1999, in which the Council decided to create an Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti, and its subsequent resolutions 1999/11 of 27 July 1999, 2001/25 of 26 July 2001, 2002/22 of 24 July 2002 and 2003/46 of 23 July 2003, and its decisions 2000/235 of 27 July 2000 and 2001/290 of 24 July 2001, with a view to the development of a long-term programme of support for Haiti,

Recalling also Security Council resolutions 1529 (2004) of 29 February 2004 and 1542 (2004) of 30 April 2004, in which the Security Council decided to establish the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti and supported the establishment of a core group to be chaired by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Haiti in order to, inter alia, facilitate the implementation of the mandate of the Stabilization Mission,

Recalling further paragraphs 13 and 14 of Security Council resolution 1542 (2004), in which the Secretary-General emphasized the need for Member States, United Nations organs, bodies and agencies and other international organizations to continue to contribute to the promotion of the social and economic development of Haiti, in particular over the long-term, in order to achieve and sustain stability and combat poverty,

Taking note of the request made by the Transitional Government of Haiti to reactivate the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti,

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1. *Welcomes* the report of the Secretary-General on the long-term programme of support for Haiti;[1]

2. *Stresses* the need for renewed efforts at the local, national, regional and international levels to secure long-term support for Haiti, together with a sustained commitment at all levels to rebuild the economic and social structures of the country, combat poverty and build institutional capacity in support of the efforts of the Government and people of Haiti;

3. *Calls on* the international community to provide substantial contributions to relief and assistance programmes carried out by the United Nations system and other relevant partners to improve the living conditions of the population in Haiti;

4. *Underscores* the need for a long-term development strategy to promote socio-economic recovery and stability and ensure coherence and sustainability in international support for Haiti;

5. *Decides* to reactivate the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti established by its resolution 1999/4 and to consider the mandate and modalities of the Group at its resumed substantive session in 2004, in close consultation with the Transitional Government of Haiti and with the participation of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General, based on the long-term national development needs and taking into account the need to avoid overlap and duplication with existing mechanisms;

6. *Also decides* to entrust the President of the Economic and Social Council with the task of holding consultations on the composition of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group, in consultation with all regional groups and the Transitional Government of Haiti, ensuring that it is limited, representative, at the ambassadorial level and drawn from the membership of the Council and its observer States, including representation from Haiti, taking into account the need to include countries that can make a positive contribution to the objectives of the Group, and with the task of making recommendations on the composition of the Group for a decision by the Council at its resumed substantive session in 2004.

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[1] E/2004/80.